PATENT

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In re application of : Sambasivan et al.   )
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For: CONDUCTIVE AND   )
           ROBUST NITRIDE   )
           BUFFER LAYERS ON   )
           BIAXIALLY TEXTURED   )
           SUBSTRATES   )

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DECLARATION DISCLAIMING INVENTORSHIP

I, Robert K. Williams, declare as follows:

1.   I have read and understood the specification and claims set forth in the above-identified patent application ("the Application").

2.   I am listed as a co-inventor on United States Patent No. 6,447,714, together with Amit Goyal and Donald M. Kroeger.

3.   With respect to the aforementioned '714 patent, I did not invent subject matter relied on therein to reject the Application. In particular, with regard to claims 8 and 19 of the Application, I did not invent a biaxially-textured article having a biaxially-textured substrate with at least one epitaxial nitride layer—

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regardless of nitride layer identity or stoichiometry—and an electromagnetic or superconducting layer thereon.

4.   The subject matter of the '714 patent cited against claims 8 and 19 of the Application was invented by Amit Goyal and Donald M. Kroeger.

I hereby that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issued thereon.

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